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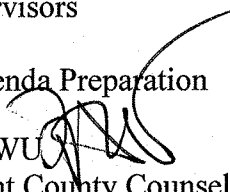
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Attention: Agenda Preparation

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RE: **Item for the Board of Supervisors' Agenda**
County Claims Board Recommendation
Obie Steven Anthony, III v. County of Los Angeles, et al.
United States District Court Case No. CV 13-7224

Attached is the Agenda entry for the Los Angeles County Claims Board's recommendation regarding the above-referenced matter. Also attached is the Case Summary to be made available to the public.

It is requested that this recommendation and the Case Summary be placed on the Board of Supervisors' agenda.

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Attachments

Board Agenda

MISCELLANEOUS COMMUNICATIONS

Los Angeles County Claims Board's recommendation: Authorize settlement of the matter entitled Obie Steven Anthony, III v. County of Los Angeles, et al., United States District Court No. CV 13-7224 in the amount of \$890,000 and instruct the Auditor-Controller to draw a warrant to implement this settlement from the Office of the District Attorney's budget.

This lawsuit alleges the County of Los Angeles and the District Attorney's Office violated Plaintiff's civil rights by maintaining policies, practices, and customs of failing to disclose exculpatory evidence to criminal defendants and presenting fabricated evidence that resulted in Plaintiff's conviction and incarceration.

CASE SUMMARY

INFORMATION ON PROPOSED SETTLEMENT OF LITIGATION

CASE NAME	Obie Steven Anthony, III v. County of Los Angeles, et al.
CASE NUMBER	13-CV7224
COURT	United States District Court
DATE FILED	September 30, 2013
COUNTY DEPARTMENT	District Attorney's Office
PROPOSED SETTLEMENT AMOUNT	\$ 890,000
ATTORNEY FOR PLAINTIFF	Ronald Kaye, Esq. Kaye, McLane, Bednarski & Litt, LLP
COUNTY COUNSEL ATTORNEY	Jonathan McCaverty
NATURE OF CASE	<p>This is a recommendation to settle for \$890,000, the lawsuit filed by Plaintiff Obie Anthony, III, against the County of Los Angeles and the District Attorney's Office for allegedly maintaining policies, practices, and customs of failing to disclose exculpatory evidence and presenting deliberately fabricated evidence that resulted in Mr. Anthony's murder conviction for which he spent 17 years in jail.</p> <p>The County denies the allegations; however, due to the risks and uncertainties of litigation, a reasonable settlement at this time will avoid further litigation costs. Therefore, a full and final settlement of the case in the amount of \$890,000 is recommended.</p>
PAID ATTORNEY FEES, TO DATE	\$ 377,124
PAID COSTS, TO DATE	\$ 57,277